

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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July 24, 2017

The Honorable Ajit Pai  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Pai,

We write to urge you to carefully examine the inMotion Wireless proposal to construct hundreds of monopoles in Massachusetts.

In 2014, the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) entered into a contract with inMotion Wireless to provide enhanced Wi-Fi to the commuter rail system, a service that will benefit riders. Under the contract, inMotion Wireless would construct over 300 monopoles as tall as 74 feet. The monopoles would be placed roughly 1.3 miles apart through as many as 60 communities along the commuter rail system.

As the Commission conducts its Section 106 review process, you should give due consideration to the proposed project's impact on our local communities and cultural and historical sites. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is home to some of the most important historical sites in the United States, and it is essential to preserve these sites for future generations. The Commission should consider how installing monopoles high above the tree line could impact the historic and cultural character of the involved cities and towns.

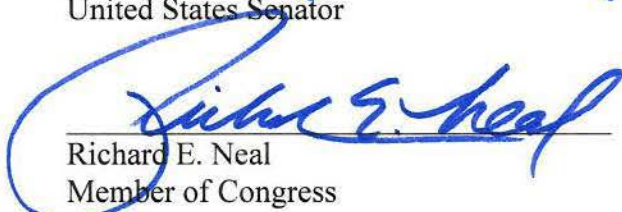
While we support enhancing the Wi-Fi service of the commuter rail line, we believe that we should also preserve the historical and cultural value of our State and appropriately incorporate the interests of the affected communities.


We appreciate your attention to this important matter. If you would like any additional information about our request, please contact Daniel Greene (202-224-2742) in Senator Markey's office.

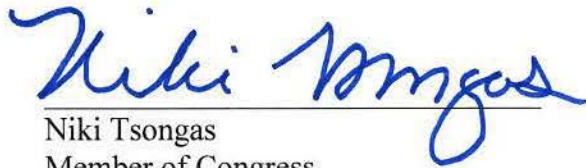
Sincerely,

  
Edward J. Markey  
United States Senator

  
Elizabeth Warren  
United States Senator

  
Richard E. Neal  
Member of Congress

  
James P. McGovern  
Member of Congress



Niki Tsongas  
Member of Congress



Joseph P. Kennedy, III  
Member of Congress



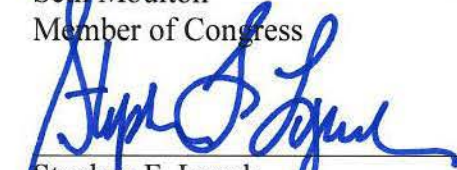
Katherine M. Clark  
Member of Congress



Seth Moulton  
Member of Congress



Michael E. Capuano  
Member of Congress



Stephen F. Lynch  
Member of Congress



William R. Keating  
Member of Congress



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August 30, 2017

The Honorable Michael E. Capuano  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1414 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

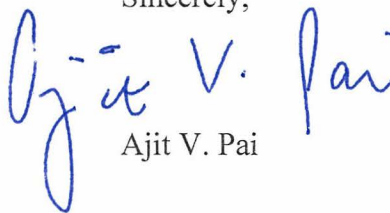
Dear Congressman Capuano:

Thank you for your letter regarding the proposal by inMotion Wireless to enhance Wi-Fi service along commuter rails in Massachusetts.

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I appreciate your interest in this matter. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

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The Honorable Katherine M. Clark  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1415 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Clark:

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The Honorable William Keating  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2351 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Keating:

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The Honorable Joseph P. Kennedy  
U.S. House of Representatives  
434 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Kennedy:

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2268 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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United States Senate  
255 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Jim McGovern  
U.S. House of Representatives  
438 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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U.S. House of Representatives  
1408 Longworth House Office Building  
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341 Cannon House Office Building  
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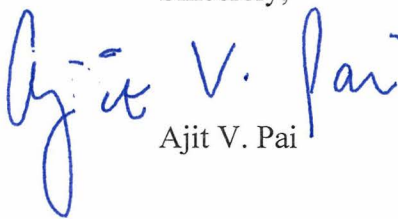
Dear Congresswoman Tsongas:

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United States Senate  
317 Hart Senate Office Building  
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